STATE OF OKLAHOMA
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HOUSE BILL 1844

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to mining; amending 45 O.S. 2011, Section 931, which relates to operator's fees; modifying certain fee; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 45 O.S. 2011, Section 931, is amended to read as follows:

Section 931. A. All operators of coal mining operations shall pay to the Department of Mines a fee of seven and one-half cents ($0.075) per ton of coal produced.

B. All operators of noncoal mining operations shall pay to the Department of Mines a fee of one cent ($0.01) one and one-fourth cents ($0.0125) per ton of mineral produced. For the purposes of this section, "mineral" shall be defined as provided in paragraph 4 of Section 723 of this title.

C. The fees imposed by this section shall be paid no later than thirty (30) days after the end of each calendar quarter beginning the first calendar quarter after June 30, 1982.
D. The Department shall develop and promulgate a report form, which shall be as similar as possible to the form required of operators by federal law, and which shall state the amount of coal or mineral produced during the calendar quarter, the method of coal or mineral removal, and the type of coal or mineral. The operator shall swear to the accuracy of the report before a notary public, who shall duly notarize the report.

E. All fees collected by the Department of Mines pursuant to this section shall be deposited with the State Treasurer, who shall credit one cent ($0.01) per ton of fees collected on coal produced on or after July 1, 1988, and one-tenth of one cent ($0.001) per ton of fees collected on minerals produced on or after July 1, 1988, to the Oklahoma Miner Training Institute Revolving Fund, with the balance of the fees collected to be deposited in the Department of Mines Revolving Fund.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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